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RESPONSE TO 10 SEPTEMBER 2003 NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Smith:

This is a supplemental response to the 10 September 2003 Non-Final Office Action. Applicants attorney simply forgot to added a Related Application section to the application.

SUMMARY OF NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Claims 2-5, 8-12 and 19-29	112, 2 <sup>nd</sup> paragraph – no limiting structure => enhance oxide formation
Claims 2, 19 and 21	102(b) anticipation by Bell
Claim 19 and 21	103(a) obvious Bell + Baba
Claim 2	103(a) obvious Baba + Bell
Claim 3	103(a) obvious Baba + O'Brien
Claim 4	103(a) obvious Baba + Bredeweg
Claim 5	103(a) obvious Baba + O'Brien + Boesch 205 USPQ 215 (CCPA 1980)
Claims 2-5, 8-12 and 19-29	103(a) obvious Fine ('409) + Baba
Claim 8	103(a) obvious Fine ('409) + Baba + Forster et al. ('456)
Claim 9	103(a) obvious Fine ('409) + Baba + Bell
Claim 11	103(a) obvious Fine ('409) + Baba + O'Brien
Claim 12	103(a) obvious Fine ('409) + Baba + Bredeweg